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SELF-ALIGNED CVD-  
TUNGSTEN/TITANIUM CONTACT  
PLUGS STRAPPED WITH METAL  
INTERCONNECT AND METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURE

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